disclose storing predefined words in digitized form for comparison purposes. Thus, Applicants submit that Tatchell does not anticipate amended claim 1.

Furthermore, as none of the other references cited in the Office Action (namely, Birckbichler, Martinez, and Malik) disclose this feature of amended claim 1, Applicants submit that claim 1 is novel and nonobvious in view of the cited references. In that connection, Applicants further submit that claims 2-10, which depend from claim 1, are also novel and nonobvious in view of the cited references.

Applicants have similarly amended independent claims 11, 22 and 31. For reasons analogous to those set forth previously with respect to claim 1, Applicants submit that amended claims 11, 22 and 31, as well as their respective dependent claims, are novel and nonobvious in view of the cited references.

B.   Drawings

Applicants are concurrently herewith furnishing a set of formal drawings for the application.

C.   Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants are concurrently herewith submitting an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of the claims. If the Examiner is of the opinion that the instant application is in

condition for disposition other than allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to the

undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below in order that the Examiner's concerns

may be expeditiously addressed.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Claims:

The claims have been amended as follows:

1.   (Amended) A network for providing a telecommunications service with automatic speech recognition to a telecommunications user, comprising:

a switch in communication with a telecommunications device associated with the telecommunications user for detecting a trigger specific to the telecommunications service in response to a communication from the telecommunications device; and

an intelligent resource server in communication with the switch for receiving the communication from the telecommunications device via the switch, for playing an audible message for the telecommunications user in response to receiving the communication, the message prompting the telecommunications user to modify a call forwarding profile associated with the telecommunications user, and for automatically recognizing a predetermined keyword spoken by the telecommunications user in response to the audible message by digitizing the telecommunications user's response and comparing the digitized response to a set of coded waveforms corresponding to predefined keywords.

11.   (Amended) A network for providing a telecommunications service with automatic speech recognition to a telecommunications user, comprising:

a switch in communication with a telecommunications device associated with the telecommunications user for detecting a trigger specific to the telecommunications service in response to a communication from the telecommunications device;

a call processing module in communication with the switch for receiving the

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communication from the telecommunications device via the switch;

an enunciation module in communication with the call processing module for playing an audible message for the telecommunications user in response to receiving the communication, the message prompting the telecommunications user to modify a call forwarding profile associated with the telecommunications user; and

an automatic speech recognition module in communication with the switch for recognizing a predetermined keyword spoken by the telecommunications user in response to the audible message by digitizing the telecommunications user's response and comparing the digitized response to a set of coded waveforms corresponding to predefined keywords.

22.   (Amended) An intelligent resource server for providing a telecommunications service with automatic speech recognition for a telecommunications user, comprising:

a call processing module for receiving an incoming communication from a switch, wherein the switch is in communication with a telecommunications device associated with the telecommunications user;

an enunciation module in communication with the call processing module for playing an audible message for the telecommunications user in response to receiving the communication, the audible message prompting the telecommunications user to modify a call forwarding profile associated with the telecommunications user; and

an automatic speech recognition module in communication with the call processing module for recognizing a predetermined keyword spoken by the telecommunications user in response to the audible message by digitizing the telecommunications user's response and comparing the digitized response to a set of coded waveforms corresponding to predefined

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keywords.

31.   (Amended) A network for providing a telecommunications service with automatic

speech recognition to a telecommunications user, comprising:

means for detecting a communication from the telecommunications user;

means for playing an audible message to the telecommunications user in response to

detection of the communication prompting the telecommunications user to modify a call

forwarding profile of the telecommunications user; and

means for automatically recognizing a predetermined keyword spoken by the

telecommunications user in response to the audible message by digitizing the

telecommunications user's response and comparing the digitized response to a set of coded

waveforms corresponding to predefined keywords.